

The Tennessee Creek Project Biological Analysis (March 14, 2014) was based on a new Pike/San Isabel lynx habitat map that, as of today's date July 10, 2014, has not yet been approved by the US Fish and Wildlife Service. The new map was created based on the best available science and some changes in habitat delineation resulted on the Leadville Ranger District and within the project area. The main difference is that dry lodgepole pine is no longer mapped as lynx habitat. This dropped the mapped lynx habitat within the Tennessee Creek project boundary by 6,745 acres.

Because of unforeseen time constraints in the re-mapping process, we have decided to consult on the Tennessee Creek project under the current approved map. Since the original analysis was written under the "worst case scenario", we assumed all treatments would be inside lynx habitat. As a result of this, analyzing under the current map would have no changes in acres to **treated** lynx habitat. The only changes are the amounts of lynx habitat within the project boundary and within the Tennessee Pass LAU (please see the table below).

CURRENT MAP	Pike and San Isabel NF	Tennessee Creek Project Area	Current Tennessee Pass LAU	Tenn Pass LAU Post-treatment	% Change for the LAU
Total Acres	2,232,600	16,500	260,800		
Lynx Habitat	2,280,100	16,225	92,262	-2,485	3%

We fully anticipate the new map to be approved by the US Fish and Wildlife Service in the future. At that time we understand that we would need to re-consult on the project by way of resubmitting the project with the changes to the mapped lynx habitat within the project boundary and the LAUs. Again, because the original analysis assumed all treatment would be in lynx habitat, the only thing that would be different would NOT be the acres of treated lynx habitat, but the acres of mapped lynx habitat within the project area and within the LAU boundaries.